KARO-ECHO Membership Meeting

April 10, 2023 Hybrid In Person and Zoom

Attendees

In Person:

Howdy Goudey
Frans Kuypers
KJ6IUV
Annette McCoubry
KJ6SWK
Tom Fattaruso
KN6BUY
Hal Graboske
KK6NDF
Curt Smith
KM6HFT
Larry Nagle
KE6BEE
KJ6IUV
KJ6SWK
KN6BUY
KN6BUY
KK6NDF
KM6HFT

via Zoom:

Don Simon NI6A
Jerry Michaels K6KOP
Karen Leong Fenton KK6ZPM
Jay Fenton KJ6WSS
Blake Yeaman KN6CMP

Susan Yeaman KN6CMR

Martha Richards K6ELO
Michael Gold AJ6RZ
Lorraine Schnurr KN6CRT
Todd Teachout W8BIK
Rob Johnson KK6JNI

Elyse Eisenberg (GMRS license, no ham license yet)

Agenda:

Call to order/logistics

Introductions
Approval of Minutes
Approval of Agenda

Treasurer's report

New business

QSL cards printed and available

Old business Outreach/PR/web

Tech./Infrastructure

Elmering

Neighborhood nets and Comm. hubs

Training and Operations

Spring SET training and preparation, to be held April 22, 2023, 10am - noon

Adjourn

Meeting called to order.

The March membership meeting minutes, the agenda, and the treasurer's report were approved.

Business session

Club QSL cards

- 100 QSL cards have been printed by Kanoli KB6EMG at no cost to us.
- We need to acknowledge Kanoli's contribution and send a thank you card.
- A QSL card could be given out to interested visitors at the SET.
- A QSL card could be sent to newly licensed hams.

MOU/SOP

- Howdy KE6BEE contacted the El Cerrito Fire Department but we are still waiting for a meeting time to discuss the MOU.
- Also asked about was the possibility that CERT areas will be changed to a different type of area definition.

Tech/Infrastructure

• Howdy KE6BEE inquired about the El Cerrito work schedule for installing antennas at clubhouses.

Other

• Jay KJ6WSS invited members for a gathering of hams and GMRS operators at their home on Saturday, May 27.

Training

Spring SET

- The spring SET date is Apr. 22.
- Participating members are asked to submit an entry form ASAP so planning may be completed.
- Tactical call signs will be used instead of FCC call signs..

- Each participant will be scheduled to send and receive 2 messages. Accuracy is important but the content is not important.
- Pairs of operators passing a message will be moved to a different standard simplex frequency to keep the net control frequency available.
- More welfare messages, both voice and digital, will be practiced this time but precedence will be given to priority and emergency messages. Welfare messages including an email address sent to the "Internet Relay" operator, Rob W6RJM, will be relayed via winlink to the given email address.
- We will have access to the El Cerrito City Hall EOC room.
- If ham operators need to listen for neighborhood network FRS/GMRS operators they should announce that they are leaving the ham net temporarily.
- Members with less SET inexperience may request to be paired with a more experienced operator.
- A review of the SET is planned for the May membership meeting.

Meeting adjourned.